

Weekly News Summary.

British suffer heavy loss in South Africa in November, fifty-four men being killed and 150 wounded.

The Commercial Cable company announces rates to Luzon islands, \$1.66 per word and to all other islands \$1.76 per word.

Thirteen children died at St. Louis as a result of the administration of anti-toxin for diphtheria. Lock-jaw resulted from the use of that remedy.

The census bureau makes public its report on school, militia and voting ages for all states and territories. This shows persons of school age, 5 to 10 years, 26,110,788, of whom 24,897,130 are native-born, 22,490,211 are white and 13,086,160 are males; males of militia age, 16,360,363, of whom 13,132,280 are native-born and 14,495,596 are white; and males of voting age, 21,329,819, of whom 16,227,285 are native-born and 19,036,043 are white. Of the total number of males 21 years of age and over 2,326,155 are illiterate. Of the 16,227,285 native-born males 21 years of age and over, 1,706,293 are illiterate, and of the 5,102,534 foreign-born 620,002 are illiterate.

The McKinley Monument association announces that it will attempt to raise \$1,500,000 to construct the proposed memorial arch.

British met with another defeat in South Africa, losing 6,000 horses and a large amount of equipment.

Joseph Virag, the inventor of rapid telegraphy, by which it is claimed that words may be transmitted at the rate of 70,000 per hour, died in Hungary.

Edwin S. Stokes, known in history as the slayer of James Fisk, jr., died in New York city.

Announced from Pekin that Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister to the United States, will be recalled.

The specialists who examined President McKinley's assassin make formal report that the assassin was sane.

The French chamber decides that the Sultan of Turkey must be called to account on the Lorendo claims.

Great Britain's chancellor of the exchequer intimates that because of the enormous cost of the war in South Africa, it may be necessary to impose even greater burdens upon the taxpayers.

Railroad officials reported to have made a combination in which western territory will be so distributed to the control of different companies that there will be no conflict on rates of any kind.

E. P. Hanna, associate of the judge advocate, spoke in opposition to Schley before the board of inquiry.

Election resulted in general republican victories. Iowa and Massachusetts elected republican state officials and republican legislatures. New Jersey elected a republican governor and republican legislature. Pennsylvania elected a republican supreme court judge and republican state treasurer.

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Rhode Island elected republican governor. Virginia elected democratic state officers and a democratic legislature. Maryland elected a democratic legislature and state comptroller and clerk of court of appeals. Ohio elected republican state officers and republican state legislature. Mississippi elected democratic secretary of state and democratic treasurer. Nebraska elected republican supreme court judge and two republican regents of the state university. New York city fusion forces elected Seth Low mayor and the fusion city ticket. In Kentucky democrats won in the legislative contest, thus insuring the election of a democrat to succeed the present republican senator from that state. Union labor party elected its candidate for mayor of San Francisco.

Isador Raynor, chief counsel for Admiral Schley, moved the court and spectators by his eloquent appeal in behalf of the hero of Santiago.

Announced on November 6 that the Turkish government has sent to France drafts on payment of French claim against Turkey.

Joel Prentiss Bishop died at Cambridge, Mass., Monday, November 4. He was the author of "Marriage and Divorce," 1853; "Criminal Law," 1856; "Criminal Procedure," 1866; "First Book of the Law," 1868; "Statutory Crimes," 1873; "Contracts," 1878; "Direction and Forms," 1885; "Noncontract Law," 1889; "Commentaries of Law and Statutory Crimes," 1901.

The French government seized several ports in Turkey, and it is believed in some quarters that the United States authorities will take some advantage of this incident to obtain recompense for the abduction of Miss Stone, the missionary.

Li Hung Chang died November 6. His death removes a distinguished figure among the statesmen of the world. John Russell Young, the intimate friend of General Grant, wrote of the distinguished Chinaman in this wise: "As to the estimate of him by General Grant, that as a statesman he was worthy to rank with Beauchamp, Gambetta and Bismarck, it will be remembered that General Grant was not given to extravagant opinions of men, and that he had seen Li upon terms of extreme intimacy. It is difficult to find a standard of comparisons. Behind western statesmen were established civilizations, the forces of advanced empires. They did not create, but carried out what was begun. Bismarck was the successor of Frederick the Great, Gambetta of Mirabeau, while Lord Beauchamp could only have found his ideal in the conquering soul of Chatham. Li Hung Chang was alone with his problem. History gave him no precedent. The outside world had no sympathy for him. The western nations looked upon China with carnivorous eyes. He accepted the appalling duties before him. He rejected nothing. He had breadth, depth, omniscience. He meant that China should grow, broaden, rise. He worked for the Chinese people with an intelligence and courage that must forever rank him as one of the world's foremost men of his age."

Battle of the Breeds.

The battle of the breeds is over. For six months it has raged. Day after day the 50 combatants have stood steadfast, chewing their cuds, switching their tails, giving their milk. The churns have churned, the testers have tested, the weighers have weighed, the checkers have checked and Supt. Edward Van Alstyne has seen that all went well and that the contest was fair. It closed this week. Its real end came last night. The Guernseys won on profits on butter fat and the Holsteins won on profits on solids.

The official figures will be announced in a few days. The result was known last night by the officials. Ten breeds

of cows were represented, each by five champions. The breeds were Guernseys, Holsteins, Jerseys, Ayrshires, Red Polls, Brown Swiss, French-Canadians, Shorthorns, Poll Jerseys and Dutch Belts. The five from each breed were entered by expert breeders with the approval of their respective breed associations and the battle began last May. All that each cow ate, all that each cow gave, was noted carefully, measured to the last ounce and a record kept.

The result shows that the Holsteins gave a profit of \$258 on solids and \$205 on butter fats. The Guernseys gave a profit of \$225 on butter fats and \$205 on solids.

Here is the standing of winners with the approximate profit on butter fats for the months of the contest:

PROFITS ON BUTTER FATS.	
1. Guernseys	\$225
2. Jerseys	220
3. Ayrshires	213
4. Holsteins	205
5. Red Polls	195
6. Brown Swiss	180
7. French-Canadians	173
8. Shorthorns	171
9. Poll Jerseys	168
10. Dutch Belts	118

The official figures giving the penalties and exact details will be announced in due time.

The standing of winners on the profits or solids is as follows, the totals being approximate, in lieu of the official figures:

PROFITS ON SOLIDS.	
1. Holsteins	\$258 00
2. Ayrshires	235 00
3. Brown Swiss	220 00
4. Guernseys	205 00
5. Red Polls	203 74
6. Jerseys	203 21
7. Shorthorns	197 00
8. French-Canadians	183 00
9. Poll Jerseys	148 00
10. Dutch Belts	146 00

In the foregoing the contest between the Red Polls and the Jerseys is very close and the official verification may change their relative positions.

The profit is net profit. It was obtained after deducting the cost of feed for the season of the competition. The table of the cost of feed for each five cows is very interesting. The official table for the last two weeks is not verified. Here is the official table up to October 15 and there will be little if any change in the order:

COST OF FEED.	
1. Holsteins	\$149 85
2. Shorthorns	148 54
3. Brown Swiss	135 77
4. Ayrshires	128 73
5. Red Polls	126 84
6. Jerseys	126 73
7. Guernseys	126 15
8. Dutch Belts	120 58
9. French-Canadians	104 33
10. Poll Jerseys	100 39

The breeders throughout the civilized world have watched the contest closely. Thousands of cattle experts have visited the Model Dairy Barn and noted the progress of the battle. The keenest of the authorities have given their respective breed-managers the benefit of their advice and experience.

Up to October 15 the Holsteins gave 36,289 pounds, or over 17,000 quarts of milk and gave 1,377 pounds of butter. Up to October 15 the Guernseys gave 25,435 pounds or about 12,000 quarts of milk and 1,364 pounds of butter. The Guernseys gave 5,000 quarts of milk less than the Holsteins and gave only 13 pounds of butter less than the Holsteins. As the official figures appear there will be endless comparisons and probably long discussions in the dairy and breeding papers.—Buffalo Express.

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